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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMO (S/S7615740) FMS CREDITS IN

TRANSITION QUARTER

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM MAW

1. YOU HAVE WITH YOU A MEMORANDUM FROM ME DATED JULY 21, ASKING YOU TO CONSIDER TO WHAT EXTENT THE PRESIDENT SHOULD SEEK TO USE EXISTING BUT YET UNPROGRAMMED TRANSITION QUARTER (TQ) BUDGET AUTHORITY TO MEET ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE.

2. FOR THE TQ, MORE THAN DOLS. 590 MILLION PROGRAM AUTHORITY AND ABOUT DOLS. 275 MILLION OF NEW OBLIGATING AUTHORITY (NOA) ARE INVOLVED. OMB WILL INITIATE ACTION TO RESCIND MUCH OF THIS AUTHORITY UNLESS THE PRESIDENT PERSONALLY APPROVES WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS TO USE IT. UNLESS WE MOVE VERY PROMPTLY, THE OMB ACTION WILL TAKE ITS COURSE, AS IT MUST, BY JULY 30.

3. ALL PARTIES AGREE THAT ROUGHLY HALF OF THE SUMS INVOLVED ARE CONSTRUCTIVELY ALREADY APPROVED BY THE
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PRESIDENT FOR USE (I.E., DOLS. 200 MILLION PROGRAMMED FOR

ISRAEL, DOLS 125 MILLION FOR TURKEY, ETC.). THE BASIC
ISSUE IS TO DECIDE HOW MUCH OF THE REMAINING DOLS. 238
MILLION PROGRAM/DOLS 140 MILLION NOA AUTHORITY SHOULD ALSO

BE RECOMMENDED TO THE PRESIDENT FOR USE IN THE TQ. OMB
TAKES THE POSITION THAT NONE OR VERY LITTLE MORE SHOULD BE
USED AS THE ADMINISTRATION DIDN'T ASK FOR THIS AUTHORITY
IN THE FIRST PLACE. DEFENSE FEELS VIRTUALLY ALL OF IT
SHOULD BE USED FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF PROGRAMS. MY
RECOMMENDATION IS THAT YOU PROPOSE THAT ROUGHLY HALF OF
THE REMAINDER BE USED FOR CERTAIN POLITICALLY IMPORTANT
OPPORTUNITIES, INCLUDING PROGRAMS IN THE TQ FOR KENYA,
INDONESIA, JORDAN, ZAIRE, TUNISIA, MOROCCO AND KOREA;
PLUS A SMALL INCREASE IN THE PROGRAM FOR ETHIOPIA.

4. MY RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE MEMO YOU HAVE ARE SUPPORTED
BY PHIL HABIB AND H.

5. CLEARED IN S-HCOLLUMS.

ROBINSON

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